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SOFTWARE ENCRYPTION

AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131

The undersigned inventor(s) of the above referenced application, having been admonished that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. § 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon, declare as follows:

I am an inventor of the above captioned patent application [the Application]. As indicated in the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A" entitled *Disclosure AUS8-1999-0414* [the Disclosure], my co-inventor (R. L. Verburg, who is no longer an employee of IBM Corporation) and I conceived of a system that included the elements disclosed and claimed in the independent claims of the Application at least as early as September 18, 1998, before the effective filing date of U.S. Patent No. 6,470,447 B1 [Lambert]. Also on September, 18, 1998, I reduced the concept to a written document (the Disclosure) that described the invention with sufficient detail to enable one skilled in the field to make or use the invention. The Disclosure describes a device that dynamically adjusts its encryption level based upon a determination of the device's geographic location. This dynamic encryption adjustment may be performed, for example, to comply with the encryption requirements/restrictions of various countries.

The undersigned further declares that all statements made of the declarant sown knowledge are true and all statement made on information and believe are believed to be true.

Dec. 15, 2003

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Date